

*Proviso.*

those deceased, who served in Germany or Austria-Hungary during the period of occupation at any time during the inclusive period from November 12, 1918, to July 11, 1923: *Provided*, That such medals and appurtenances shall not be issued in cases where the person has, during or subsequent to such service, been dismissed or discharged other than honorably from the service or deserted.

Approved, November 21, 1941.

# [CHAPTER 502]

## AN ACT

November 21, 1941  
[H. R. 5783]  
[Public Law 323]

To authorize the construction or acquisition of certain naval local defense vessels, and for other purposes.

Naval local defense  
vessels.  
Construction, ac-  
quisition, etc.

*Post*, p. 816.

Appropriation  
authorized.  
*Post*, p. 816.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of the Navy, with the approval of the President, is hereby authorized to undertake the construction of or to acquire and convert not to exceed four hundred miscellaneous light-draft vessels and small craft of such sizes, types, and designs, suitable for local defense use as patrol vessels, minesweepers, and the like, as he may consider best suited for the purposes of national defense, such vessels to be in addition to those heretofore authorized.

SEC. 2. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sums as may be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Act, not to exceed \$300,000,000.

Approved, November 21, 1941.

# [CHAPTER 543]

## AN ACT

November 26, 1941  
[H. R. 4226]  
[Public Law 324]

To provide for the construction of a Coast Guard cutter designed for ice-breaking and assistance work on the Great Lakes.

Coast Guard.  
Construction of cut-  
ter for Great Lakes  
service.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That in the interest of the uninterrupted flow of interstate and foreign commerce through the Straits of Mackinac in winter seasons, and better to provide assistance to marine commerce and industry on the Great Lakes in opening ice-locked channels and ports, the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to construct and equip a Coast Guard cutter of a design especially adapted for heavy ice breaking.

Approved, November 26, 1941.

# [CHAPTER 544]

## AN ACT

November 26, 1941  
[H. R. 4795]  
[Public Law 325]

To amend the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act of 1920, as amended, by amending sections 203 (4), 208 (3), 209, 213, 215, 220, and 222 thereof and by adding thereto a new section to be numbered section 225, all relating to the powers, duties, and functions of the Hawaiian Homes Commission.

Hawaiian Homes  
Commission Act, 1920,  
amendments.  
42 Stat. 106; 50 Stat.  
490.  
48 U. S. C. § 697 (4).  
Available lands,  
Oahu.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That section 203 (4) of the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920, is hereby amended so that the first course describing "(1) Portion of the government land at Auwailimu, Punchbowl Hill, Honolulu, Oahu" of the available lands on the Island of Oahu will read as follows:

"(1) One hundred and sixty-three degrees thirty-one minutes two hundred and thirty-eight and eight-tenths feet along the east side of Punchbowl-Makiki Road;"